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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-referenced application as follows.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-40 and add new claims 41-56 as follows.

- 41. (New) A method for detecting the formation of a protein complex, said method comprising:
 - (a) providing a first host cell comprising